

Polio less than half that of 1955

The incidence of polio across Canada is less than half that of 1955, and only a third of the 1951-52 average, the Department of National Health and Welfare said.

The provinces reported a total of 77 cases, of which 51 or 66 per cent were the paralytic variety, to July 7.

The 77 cases constitute 41 per cent of the 163 reported at the same time in 1955 and only 33 per cent of the 231 reported for the five-year average.

The ratio of paralytic cases is somewhat higher this year; the 99 cases in 1955 represented 61 per cent of the total cases and the 102 paralytic-type cases for the five-year average represented 44 per cent of the total.

There have been five deaths attributed to polio this year compared to eight last year.

To date, B.C. has reported 22 cases, 12 of the paralytic, and Quebec has reported a total of 13 cases, 11 of them paralytic.

Last year by this time B.C. had 47 cases, 22 of them paralytic, and Quebec had a total of 22 cases, 16 of them paralytic.

While total numbers of cases in each province this year are small, the national picture, as a percentage of the 1955 incidence, is as follows: P.E.I. and Nfld., 100 per cent; Quebec and N.B., 67 per cent; N.S., 56 per cent; B.C., 40 per cent; Ontario, 13 per cent; Manitoba, 25 per cent; Alberta, 1 per cent; Saskatchewan, eight per cent; Yukon and N.W.T., none.

Latest way to stop smoking

A London doctor reported yet another "hazard" facing smokers—the possibility of swallowing a cigarette while watching television.

Dr. M. Lubel, in a letter to the *British Medical Journal*, told of a patient who became so engrossed in watching a fight on television that he swallowed his cigarette. The doctor explained that this happened because a member of the family spoke to him at a crucial moment of the fight and he drew a sudden breath to say "ahush".

He managed to cough up the butt, but suffered internal burns. "This patient now has given up smoking—but perhaps he should have given up TV," commented the doctor.



LA FEMME CASEY JONES—Here she comes—choo-choo. A motor-driven locomotive, built to withstand the weight of any would-be Casey Jones, is now available for train enthusiasts. The "Super Yarnbird Streamliner"—either gasoline or battery-powered model—complements a basic track unit, pre-packaged for easy assembling. John Massey, engineer for the Charles Wm. Doepke Mfg. Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio, checks out an engineer initiate at the controls.

Fame sometimes eludes girls named world's beauty queens

How real is the pot of gold and fame at the end of the Miss Universe Contest rainbow?

They come from 32 countries and 35 states and three cities of the U.S.

After nine days of competition in face and form in the Fifth Annual International Beauty Congress, the fairest of all will be acclaimed Miss Universe.

Universal-International Studios will place Miss Universe, Miss U.S.A. and the runners-up under six-month contract. And it may sign others who look promising.

What has happened to the four previous winners of the titles, and to some of the runners-up who drew the eyes of movie producers?

The first Miss Universe, in 1952, was the Finnish beauty Helen Kunkela. Not long after winning she went to Manila to make an appearance at an international exposition. There she met wealthy young Virgilio Hilario. They were married soon after in Tokyo.

In 1953, Christiane Maestri, 35, a fiery French brunette, walked off with the crown. She wed Ronnie Morengo, a Stockton, Calif., department store boy, in January, 1954, but their marriage lasted only 74 days. After completing her six-month film contract, she went on a night club tour of Mexico and South America. Little has been heard of her since.

The 1954 winner was Miriam Stevenson of Winnaboro, S.C., who was admired, as typifying the fresh beauty of a country girl. Her interest in a movie career

evaporated in a few weeks and she went home to finish college.

Romance almost grabbed the 1955 Miss Universe, Sweden's Hillevi Romin, before her chance at a film career got under way.

She had been given a six-word role in "The Benny Goodman Story." With filming about to start, she flew to Sweden to see her fiancé. But she returned to Hollywood unmarried and is still under contract to Universal-International. She is just back from a personal appearance tour in South America.

Jackie Loughery, who was Miss U.S.A. in 1952, stayed in movie circles for a while and then married singer Guy Mitchell. They are divorced now.

Myrna Hansen, Miss U.S.A. of 1953, made the biggest splash in Hollywood. She appeared in several pictures for Universal-International, and now is under contract to Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer.

Gout no longer a great problem

Drugs have taken the sting out of gout, and it no longer is a great medical problem, according to a Buffalo, N.Y., physician.

Dr. John H. Talbott told the annual clinical conference of the Chicago Medical Society that the drugs colchicine and benemid have made management of gout easier than that of other chronic joint ailments.

Talbott, professor of medicine at the University of Buffalo and physician-in-chief at the Buffalo General Hospital, said colchicine reduces significantly the incidence of acute attacks of the disease.

He said benemid serves to eliminate uric acid from the body. Gout, a metabolic disorder, is associated with an excess of uric acid in the blood and chalky deposits in cartilages of joints. It once was looked upon as a disease which made its victims grouchy old men who suffered intensely.

Talbott said the two drugs and a few diet measures combine to form a simple treatment.

"More than 90 per cent of these afflicted suffer surprisingly little and are able to lead normal lives, if they follow a relatively simple schedule of management," he said.

Iron ore shipments up sharply in May

Shipments of iron ore by Canadian mines increased 65 per cent in May to 2,440,242 tons from 1,474,369 a year ago, and 78 per cent in the first five months to 3,450,617 tons from 1,909,971. Stocks at month-end were down slightly to 2,061,787 tons from 2,093,915 last year, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

Shipments for export rose in the month to 2,153,756 tons, against 1,385,598 last year and in the five months totalled 2,840,602 against 1,745,033 tons. One to Canadian consumers rose more than three times to 276,477 tons in May from 89,311 last year and to 640,019 tons from 216,633 in the five months.

TURTLE SOUP
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Millinery still high, wide and handsome

Although shows sponsored in New York by the Couture Group of the New York Dress Institute feature primarily dresses, coats and suits, this is a year where the hat can't be left out of the picture.

Millinery continues to be high, wide, handsome and eye-catching. For fall, the stress will be on romance achieved with lavish drapery, delicate feathering and lots of fur.

Even the casual cloche will look different with high, softly indented crowns and irregular brims. Beaver, fells, velours and other textured surfaces will be intricately tucked, folded, bowed and banded. Metallic embroidery and jeweled medallions will be used to give the rich fabrics an even richer look. The new cloches will be set further back on the head to avoid last season's "heavy look". Although big, the new hats rarely veil the eyes.

For wear with tweeds and wools there will be fur hats, high Russian chechras, turbans and toques, some of them made of fluffy textured fabrics that look like fox, beaver and sable. Feather bretons and toques in rich gamut colors are also suggested for wear with town tweeds and daytime wools.

However, the romantic look comes to full flower in wide dinner hats of fluffy furs, floating ostrich plumes or richly draped velvet. Turbans of brocade, satin, lame and other luxurious materials have a look of Oriental luxury. Jewel and feather headresses will be worn with formal gowns.

POPULAR
Jerry Mertz is the most popular boy in the sixth grade at St. Joseph School because he likes spinach. Students at the school must show clean lunch plates before they are permitted to go outside to the playground. So everybody wants to sit beside Jerry because he likes spinach so well he will eat his own and that of others sitting near him who don't like it.

Weekly editor to manage Prairie Publishers Co-operative



H. J. MILES



J. A. VOPNI

Mr. A. W. Hanks of St. James, Manitoba, president of Prairie Publishers Co-operative Limited, has announced the appointment of John A. Vopni of Davidson, Saskatchewan, as manager and secretary-treasurer of the company. Mr. Vopni succeeds Harry J. Miles who has filled these posts for the past two years and who resigned to become editor and manager of the *Flin Flon Daily Miner* at Flin Flon, Manitoba.

C. A. Ashfield, editor of the *Grenfell Sun*, has been named vice-president of the company to fill the vacancy caused by Mr. Vopni's resignation from the Board of Directors.

Stirling King of the *Estevan Mercury*, H. G. Thunell, publisher of the *Viking News*, Alberta, and J. C. Adair, publisher of the *Eatonian Enterprise*, are members of the Board of Directors.

Mr. Vopni was elected vice-president of Prairie Publishers Co-operative Association in January, 1952, when the co-operative was formed and the business purchased from Toronto Type Founders Limited. He filed that office until he was appointed to the new position.

Prairie Publishers is a co-operative owned and operated by editors and publishers of weekly newspapers in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta. Their objectives are to provide services and manufacture products required in the publishing and printing of weekly newspapers. The major products is what is known as "ready print". This is a co-operatively printed section of weekly newspapers with blank pages on which the local paper is printed in the town of publication. By owning and controlling the production of this "ready print", weekly publishers are not only assured of a continuance of the service, but have a voice in the policy and selection of the reading matter carried in that section of their local newspapers. Other services include the production of pictures on plastic which are used in the printing of weekly newspapers, typesetting for the trade, and manufacture of a variety of materials used in producing a weekly paper.

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- Turn out on lightly-floured board and knead into a smooth ball. Place in greased bowl and brush with melted butter or margarine. Cover, let rise in warm place, free from draft, until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour.
- Punch down dough. Divide into 3 equal pieces; roll each piece into an 8-inch square. Spread each square with 1 tablespoon soft butter or margarine and then with thick raspberry jam. Roll up as for jelly roll and cut into eight 1-inch pieces. Place in greased muffin pans and cut an X in each bun with a pair of scissors. Brush buns with melted butter or margarine. Cover, let rise until doubled in bulk, about 1 hour. Bake in a moderately hot oven, 375°, about 15 minutes. Yield—24 buns.

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Rev. H. W. Inglis, Mrs. Inglis, Ian, Isabel and Colin are holidaying with friends in the Peace River country.

Mr. Wm. Bacon, long-time resident of this district, passed away in the Wainwright hospital early this week, following a long illness. Funeral services were held at Irma on Wednesday, August 1. Full obituary next week.

A further donation in memory of the late Mrs. M. Thompson has been made to the United church by Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Carrington of Vancouver.

The Evening W.A. will hold a bake sale in Larry's Meat Market Saturday, August 4 from 3 to 6 p.m.

Mrs. I. Lewis is convalescing nicely following an operation in the Royal Alex hospital, Edmonton. Mr. and Mrs. F. Drewick, Mr. and Mrs. McBurney and family were in Edmonton recently where they visited with Mrs. Lewis at the hospital and also stopped off at Lamont to see Mrs. Drewick's relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Clumstad and family have been visiting at Grand Prairie and Edmonton.

When Linda Daniels returned from her holiday at Vancouver, her grandfather Mr. Blackmore accompanied her to Irma. Mrs. Daniels, Karen and Mr. Blackmore are Edmonton visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick McRoberts, Alan and Shiela are holidaying at Jasper and Banff.

Mrs. H. Lewis and daughter Debbie have come from Calgary to visit here at the R. C. McFarland home.

Mr. Gay, student minister from Jarrow, will preach again this coming Sunday evening in the Irma United church at 7:30 p.m. We would like Mr. Gay to see what a fine group of young people we have in the Irma church and hope everyone of all ages will get out to service on Sunday.

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. J. Marshall were Mr. and Mrs. S. Marshall of Edmonton, Mr. and Mrs. Crouse of Wainwright and Mr. and Mrs. Waring and children of Lloydminster.

Mrs. Fred Taylor and son of Stratford, Ont., visited here last week with Mrs. E. S. Taylor and Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Gunn and family.

August 6 will be Irma Day. Have you your entry ready for the big parade? Donations of pies for the booth will be most welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Anquist and family are the happy owners of a new Dodge.

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